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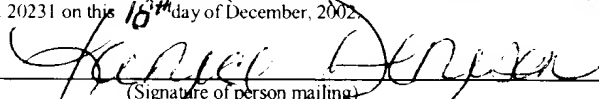
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In the application of:

Ruitang DENG *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/738,847

Filed: December 15, 2000

For: Compositions and Methods For  
Protecting Animals From  
Lentivirus-Associated Disease  
Such As Feline Immunodeficiency  
Virus

Group Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: Jon E ANGELL

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**Response Under 37 CFR 1.111**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on June 20, 2002 (Paper No. 8), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three-month extension fee and appropriate fee accompanies this Response.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 37-44, 53-60, 65-66 and 71-73 without waiver, prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

36. (Amended) A method of making an attenuated FIV-141 virus that replicates upon entry into a host cell but which exhibits significantly reduced infectivity to feline T

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